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In re the Application of: **KAMEI, Toshikazu et al.**

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**October 29, 2003**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **August 20, 2003**, please amend the above-identified application as follows: